# Zohreh Mostaani

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## SUMMARY

Zohreh Mostaani got her B.Sc. in *Electrical Engineering* from UNIVERSITY OF TEHRAN, Iran, and her M.Sc. in *Electrical and Electronics Engineering* from ÖZYEGIN UNIVERSITY, Turkey. During her Master's she worked on "Optical Wireless Communication". Later, she carried out several Internships in IDIAP RESEARCH INSTITUTE, Switzerland and continued as a "Research and Development Engineer" in the "Biometrics Security and Privacy" group at IDIAP. She is now a PhD student at ÉCOLE POLYTECHNIQUE FÉDÉRALE DE LAUSANNE (EPFL) university and works as a research assistant in the 'Speech and Audio Processing" group at IDIAP. Her research is in understanding the relation between speech and physiological signals using machine learning and signal processing methods.

## **EDUCATION**

2020-PRESENT	PhD student in Electrical and Electronics Engineering, EPFL University. Switzerland
2012-2015	Master of Science in Electrical and Electronics Engineering, Özyegin University, Turkey
2007-2011	Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering, University of Tehran, Iran

## EXPERIENCE

2020-Present	Research Assistant at IDIAP RESEARCH INSTITUTE, Martigny, and PhD student at EPFL UNI- VERSITY, Lausanne, Switzerland Working on medical application of speech processing using deep learning and signal processing methods. Supervising two Master's students in their Internship and thesis projects. Teaching Assistant for two Master's level courses, MACHINE LEARNING and INTRODUCTION TO SPEECH PROCESSING.
2019-2020	Research and Development Engineer at IDIAP RESEARCH INSTITUTE, Martigny, Switzerland
	Continue working on the BEAT framework and conducting research in the biometrics field.
2017-2019	Internship at IDIAP RESEARCH INSTITUTE, Martigny, Switzerland
18 months	Worked on biometric data collections for face recognition and face anti-spoofing. Worked on BEAT framework by conducting machine learning experiences on local and web based platform to ensure correct functionalities of new features and updating the documentation of the software stack.
2017	Internship at IDIAP RESEARCH INSTITUTE, Martigny, Switzerland
6 months	Worked on extending a framework for an <i>ASR</i> system to account for more usage applications. The framework was fully implemented in Docker and extending it needed knowledge of networking models, <i>docker</i> (A virtualization toolkit), <i>kaldi</i> (A speech processing toolkit), and <i>C++/Python</i> programming.
2016	Internship at IDIAP RESEARCH INSTITUTE, Martigny, Switzerland
6 months	Worked on <i>Gaze Estimation</i> by using multimodal convolutional neural network. <i>Theano</i> and <i>Caffe</i> deep learning toolkits were used for implementing and training neural networks.
2012-2015	Research Assistant at Özyegin University, Istanbul, Turkey.
	Worked on <i>physical layer</i> aspects of communication systems such as multi-relaying schemes in optical wireless communications with different channel models.
2012-2014	Teaching Assistant for Linear Algebra, Wireless Communications, Math 103, 105, 104, and 106, and Physics Laboratory 101 and 102.

## SELECTED COURSE WORK

- 2021 FUNDUMENTALS OF STATISTICAL PATTERN RECOGNITION Leaned about and completed projects on machine learning concepts such as linear regression, logistic regression, neural networks, PCA, LDA, K-Means, GMMs, and SVMs.
- 2020 STATISTICAL SEQUENCE PROCESSING Learned about statistical pattern recognition using supervised and unsupervised learning as well as statistical sequence modeling using Markov Models.

#### 2020 SPEECH AND AUDIO CODING

Learned about sound production and perception mechanisms, sound signal processing such as sampling, quantization, and spectral analysis, and speech coding such as linear predictive coding (LPC) and MPEG-1 layer 3 (mp3).

## **SELECTED PUBLICATIONS**

Z. Mostaani, R.S. Prasad, B. Vlasenko, M. Magimai-Doss, "Modeling of Pre-Trained Neural Network Embeddings Learned From Raw Waveform for COVID-19 Infection Detection", in *IEEE International Conference on Acoustics,* Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP), 2022.

Z. Mostaani, V.S. Nallanthighal, A. Härmä, H. Strik, M. Magimai-Doss, "On the relationship between speechbased breathing signal prediction evaluation measures and breathing parameters estimation", in *IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP)*, 2021.

V.S. Nallanthighal, Z. Mostaani, A. Härmä, H. Strik, M. Magimai-Doss, "Deep learning architectures for estimating breathing signal and respiratory parameters from speech recordings", in *Neural Networks*, 2021.

G. Heusch, A. George, D. Geissbühler, Z. Mostaani, S. Marcel, "Deep models and shortwave infrared information to detect face presentation attacks". in *IEEE Transactions on Biometrics, Behavior, and Identity Science*, 2020.

A. George, Z. Mostaani, D. Geissenbuhler, O. Nikisins, A. Anjos, S. Marcel, "Biometric Face Presentation Attack Detection with Multi-Channel Convolutional Neural Network", in *IEEE Transactions on Information Forensics and Security*, 2019.

K. Kotwal, Z. Mostaani, S. Marcel, "Detection of age-induced makeup attacks on face recognition systems using multi-layer deep features". in *IEEE Transactions on Biometrics, Behavior, and Identity Science*, 2019.

## AWARDS AND HONORS

2020	Full Scholarship, RAship, EPFL, Lausanne, Switzerland.	
2012	Full Scholarship, TAship and RAship, Özyegin University, Istanbul, Turkey.	
2007	Full Scholarship, University of Tehran, Tehran, Iran.	
2007	Ranked 206 among 400,000 participants in the nationwide university entrance exam, Iran.	
2005 AND 2006	AND 2006 Won acceptance in first stage of national mathematics Olympiad, Iran.	
2006	Won acceptance in first stage of national Literature Olympiad, Iran.	
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#### SKILLS

Languages: Proficient in Python, MATLAB, and ⊮TEX. Familiar with Bash script, HTML, Node.js, and C++.
Toolkits: PyTorch, Tensorflow, Scikit-learn.
Platforms: GNU/Linux and Microsoft Windows.

## LANGUAGES

PERSIAN:	Native
ENGLISH:	Fluent
French:	Intermediate Knowledge
Turkish:	Basic Knowledge